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**Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments**

## **Election of five members of the International Narcotics Control Board from among candidates nominated by Governments**

### **Note by the Secretary-General**

Biographical information on the 24 candidates nominated by Governments for election to the International Narcotics Control Board, listed in document [E/2021/9/Add.7](#), is presented in the annex to the present note. Information on candidates nominated by the World Health Organization is contained in document [E/2021/9/Add.9](#).



## Annex

### **Biographical information on candidates for election to the International Narcotics Control Board\***

#### **René Adriana Adams (Namibia)**

##### **Education**

Master's Degree in Social Work, University of Namibia (2007); Advance Diploma in Social Work (1989); Diploma in Social Work (1982).

##### **Present posts**

Program Manager and Head, Subdivision on Substance Abuse, Prevention, Drug Control and Rehabilitation in the Directorate Social Welfare Services, Ministry of Health and Social Services (since 1992).

##### **Previous posts**

35 years experience in social welfare and extensive knowledge in social work and substance abuse.

##### **Publications**

AUDIT, AUDIT-C AND AUDIT-3: Drinking Patters and Screening for Harmful, Hazardous and Dependent Drinking in Katutura, Namibia (co-author); Alcohol and HIV in Namibia (co-author) ([www.aidstar-one.com/focus-areas](http://www.aidstar-one.com/focus-areas)).

##### **Memberships**

Vice President of the Psychology and Social Work Council; Member of the Lotteries Board; Member of the Casino Board.

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\* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

## **Edmundo Alberto (Mozambique)**

### **Education**

Specialization in Criminal Law, Université de Droit, D'Économie et des Sciences Sociales de Paris, France; Masters' Degree in Criminal Law, Universidade Politécnica, A Politécnica, Mozambique.

### **Previous posts**

Vice Attorney-General of Mozambique (19 years); Director, Central Office for Prevention and Control of Drugs (2 years); Vice-Minister, Interior (Home Affairs) (8 years); National Director, Criminal Investigation Police (11 years).

### **Publications**

Master's dissertation "A Pena Aplicável" (The Applicable Penalty).

### **Honours**

Honor diploma awarded by the President of the Republic of Mozambique, 2005.

### **Meetings attended**

Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, Vienna (1986).

## **Hamad Al Ghafri (United Arab Emirates)**

### **Education**

PhD, Faculty of Medicine, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, United Kingdom (2013); Master of Public Health (MPH), Tulane School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Tulane University, USA (2002); Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS), Faculty of Medicine, Jordan University of Science and Technology, Irbid, Kingdom Hashemite of Jordan (1999).

### **Present posts**

Director General, National Rehabilitation Centre, Abu Dhabi, UAE (since 2008); Head, World Health Organization Collaborative Centre for substance use prevention and treatment of substance use disorders (National Rehabilitation Centre Abu Dhabi, UAE) (since 2017); Chair, Expert Dialogue, a Global Think Tank on Drug Demand Reduction (2020–2022); President elect, International Society of Addiction Medicine (2020–2023); Head, Higher Committee for Treatment, Rehabilitation and Social Re-integration, Anti-Narcotics Counsel, Ministry of Internal Affairs, UAE (since 2016); Board Member, Anti-Drugs Council, Ministry of Internal Affairs, UAE (since 2016); Member, Advisory Board of the College of Medicine and Health Sciences UAE University (since 2015); Member, Training and Education Committee, International Society of Addiction Medicine (since 2017); Member, Management Board of the International Society of Addiction Medicine (since 2017); Member, Board of the International Consortium of Universities for Drug Demand Reduction (since 2017); Chair, Management Board of International Addiction Review Journal (since 2017); Mental Health Advisor, Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office (EMRO), WHO (since 2012).

### **Previous posts**

Head of Department, Government Programs Evaluation, Ministry of Presidential Affairs, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2006–2007); Medical Director, National Rehabilitation Centre and Sheikh Khalifa Medical City (SKMC-Addiction), General Health Authority, Abu Dhabi, UAE; Head of Health Education, Training and Research, National Rehabilitation Center, Office of H.H. the President (2002–2003); Director General, Central Department of Health Education and Occupational Health, Ministry of Health, UAE (2002); Chair of UAE National Chapter of the International Society of Substance Use Professionals (ISSUP) (2019–2020); Chair of Commissioners, International Centre for Certification and Education of Addiction Professionals (ICCE) (now GCCC), Colombo Plan (2015–2018); Member of the Management Board, International Journal of Prevention and Treatment of Drug Use Disorders (2013–2015); Chair, Technical Advisory Group (TAG) of UNODC/WHO (2011–2013); Vice President, Arab Federation for Drug Prevention (2005–2010); Vice President, Emirates Medical Association (2000–2006); Project Manager, Al Etihad International Hospital, Investment Establishment, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2004–2008); Director General, Al Jazeera Sport and Health Foundation, Al Jazira Sport Club, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2006–2008).

### **Selected publications**

Al Ghafri, H., Hasan, N., Elarabi, H.F., Radwan, D., Shawky, M., Al Mamari, S., Abdelgawad, T., El Rashid, A., Kodera, A., Al Kathiri, H., Lee, A.J., Wanigaratne, S., Family engagement in opioid assisted treatment of drug users: Results from a randomized controlled trial. *International Journal of Social Psychiatry* (forthcoming); Al Ghafri, H., Elrasheed, A., Al Mamari, S., Assaf, M., Al Jenaibi, M. Elarabi, H.,

Alawadhi, A., Rashid, A., Al Meheri, A., Jawad, T., Yousif, A. and Elliott, S., Assessment of the Use of Point-Of-Care Pregabalin Testing For Drug Monitoring, Compared to Gas Chromatography Mass-Spectrometry – A Pilot Study. *Journal of Medical Toxicology and Clinical Forensic Medicine*, 4 (2018), 1–3; Al Ghaferi, H. A., Ali, A.Y., Gawad, T. A. and Wanigaratne, S., Developing Substance Misuse Services in United Arab Emirates: The National Rehabilitation Center experience. *British Journal of Psychiatry International*, 14 (4) (2017), 92–96; Al Ghafri, H, Commentary on “Substance Use Disorders and their Importance to Healthcare: Key Findings from the 2016 US Surgeon General’s Report”. *International Addiction Review*, 1 (2017), 1, 12–13; Elrasheed, A., Al Ghafri, H., Gawad, T.A., Al Arabi, H., Al Awadhi, A. and Ali, A.Y., Changing Patterns of Substance Abuse: Analysis of Lab Test Results of a Patient Cohort at the National Rehabilitation Center, Abu Dhabi, UAE. *International Addiction Review*, 1 (2017), 22–27; Alblooshi, H., Hulse, G.K., Elkashef, A., Al Hashmi, H., Shawky, M., Al Ghaferi, H., Al Safar, H. and Tay, G.K., The pattern of substance use disorders in the United Arab Emirates in 2015: results of a National Rehabilitation Centre cohort study. *Substance Abuse Treatment, Prevention and Policy* (2017), 11–19; Wanigaratne, S. and Al Ghaferi, H., Substance Misuse in the UAE and the National Rehabilitation Center. In (C. Y. Al Karam and A. Haque Eds.) *Psychology in the UAE* (2015). Al Ghaferi, H., The Evolution of the National Rehabilitation Centre Abu Dhabi. *Alcohol and Alcoholism*, 49 (1) (2014), 11–12; Al Ghaferi, H., Osman, O.T., Matheson, C., Wanigaratne, S. and Bond, C., Substance misuse in Arabic countries: the need for published research. *International Journal of Prevention and Treatment of Substance Use Disorders*, 1 (2013), 9–14.

### **Honours**

Sh. Rashed Award for science and culture, 2003, Dubai, UAE; Sh. Rashed Award for science and culture, 2014, Dubai, UAE; American Society of Addiction Medicine – Life-time membership 2017.

### **Selected meetings attended**

Leading in Health Systems: Navigating Crisis and Change, June 2020, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, USA; Emirates leadership Initiative: Advanced leadership and Management, March 2017, Harvard Kennedy School of Executive Education. Abu Dhabi, UAE; WHO–EMRO Regional Capacity building workshop for the National Managers on development of services for prevention and management of substance use and substance use disorders, October-November 2016, Abu Dhabi, UAE; Customer Driven Strategies for Health Care Professionals, June 2015, Harvard School of Public health, Boston, USA; Trends in New Designer drugs and drug Abuse, Seminar by Prof Marilyn Huestis, March 2014. Abu Dhabi, UAE; Effective Mechanism of treatment, Patient & services user involvements, Society for the study of addiction Annual symposium, November 2013. York, UK; The second regional symposium on drug control and the exchange of information, April-May 2013, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; Making an Impact, the Leadership Program Development Centre of Excellence, by the Executive Council, October 2012, Abu Dhabi, UAE; Leading the Future: the Arab region in a changing world, January 2011, Harvard Kennedy School, United States.

## **Raghda Al-Hakimi (Yemen)**

### **Education**

United Nations Regional Course in International Law (2013); Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International Maritime Law, IMO International Maritime Law Institute, Malta (2012–2013); Diploma in Politics and International Relations, La Società Italiana Per L'organizzazione Internazionale, Rome, Italy (2011); Bachelor of Laws. (LL.B.) Damascus University, Faculty of Law, Syria (2003–2007).

### **Present post**

Alternate Representative to the United Nations and International Organizations (Vienna), in particular following UNODC (since 2014).

### **Previous posts**

Diplomat at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Legal and Political Officer, Legal Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2009–2014); Legal Officer and Attorney, Central Bank of Yemen (2008–2009).

### **Honours**

Two certificates of appreciation from the Minister of Interior for fostering collaboration with UNODC; certificate of appreciation from the Coast Guard in recognition of significant contribution to the cooperation programme between Yemen and UNODC; thank-you letters from the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Yemen to the United Nations (Vienna) in recognition of the work done and result achieved; certificate of appreciation from the Minister of Foreign Affairs for the successful contribution and the active engagement in the preparation of the Regional Conference on Asylum and Migration from the Horn of Africa to Yemen; certificate of appreciation from the Minister of Foreign Affairs Undersecretary for the best performance “Employee of the Month Certificate”; REMPEC Marine Environment Law Prize; Certificate of appreciation from the Diplomatic Institute for outstanding overall performance (ranked first) at the course for new Diplomats; thank-you letter from the Head of the Financial Intelligence Unit at the Central Bank of Yemen; Al-Bassel Prize for the best academic achievements awarded by University of Damascus.

### **Meetings attended**

Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) and Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ), regular, intersessional, and reconvened sessions (2014–2018), Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (2015); Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (2016, 2018, 2020); Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption (2015, 2017).

**Sevil H. H. Atasoy (Turkey)****Education**

Post-graduate (Ph.D).

**Present posts**

Professor of Biochemistry and Forensic Science; Vice-Rector, Director, Institute of Addiction and Forensic Science; Head, Department of Forensic Science; Director, Center of Violence and Crime Prevention, Director, Center of Legal Medicine and Forensic Science, Uskudar University, Istanbul; Expert witness in civil and criminal courts (since 1980).

**Previous posts**

Director, Institute of Legal Medicine and Forensic Science, Istanbul University, Turkey (1988–2010); Director, Forensic Chemistry Department, Council of Legal Medicine, Ministry of Justice (1980–1993); Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (2005–2010 and since 2017); Member (2006 and 2018) and Chair (2017 and 2020) of the Committee on Finance and Administration; Second Vice-President and Chair (2006) and Member (2007 and 2020) of the Standing Committee on Estimates; Rapporteur (2007 and 2019), First Vice-President of the Board (2008), President of the Board (2009).

**Selected publications**

Atasoy, S., The Opiate Trade in Turkey, in *The World Heroin Market: Can Supply Be Cut?* L. Paoli, V.A. Greenfield, P. Reuter, Oxford University Press (2009); Ersi Abaci Kalfoglu, Reza Dashti, Gabriel Petridis, E. Hulya Yukseloglu, S. Sebnem Ozcan, Mansur Beyazyürek, Sevil Atasoy, The Relevance between Dopamine D3 Receptor Gene Variations and Drug Addiction. *Forensic Science International: Genetics Supplement Series*, 2009, Volume 2, Issue 1, 489–490; Sevil Atasoy, Proportionality of Sentences for Drug-Related Offences: Analysis of the Situation and Recommendations by the International Narcotics Control Board, *American Academy of Forensic Science Proceedings* (2008), p. 221; Atasoy S, Baskan T., The Turkish Experience in the Development of Laws and Policies Regarding Alcohol and Drug Impairment. Old and New Licit and Illicit. In *Medical-Legal Aspects of Abused Substances*. Eds. M. Burns and T. Page, Chapter 12, pp 191–222, Tucson, Arizona (2005); Atasoy, Sevil, Neylan Ziyalar, Mehmet Tanıl Başkan, Juvenile Justice System in Turkey, In: *Delinquency and Juvenile Justice Systems in the Non-Western World*, eds. Paul C. Friday, Xin Ren- Criminal Justice Press New York (2006), pp. 125–143;

**Honours**

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow, United States Information Agency (1995–96); Best Scientist of the Year Rotary, International (1993 and 2001); Woman Scientist of the Year, *Kadinca Journal* (1993); Best Scientist of the Year, Motherland Party (2002).

**Meetings attended**

American Academy of Forensic Science Annual Meeting, 2018, Seattle, WA-USA; European Academy of Forensic Sciences, 2018, Lyon-France; TURAZ Academy Biannual Meeting, 2016 Baku-Azerbaijan.

## **Benjamin Kwame Botwe (Ghana)**

### **Education**

PhD in Management and leadership, Management University of Africa, Nairobi (2016 to date); Masters' in Public Administration (MPA), Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration, Accra (2005); Certificate of Competency in Managing the Analytical Laboratory, University of North West (Potchestroom), South Africa (2000); MSc. (Pharm. Analysis) Quality and Management, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, United Kingdom (1992–1993); B. Pharm. (Hons.) Second Upper Division (U2), Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana (1981–1986).

### **Present post**

Lead Consultant and Chief Executive Officer, BB Associates Limited.

### **Publications**

Drug registration in Ghana, *The Regulatory Affairs Journal*, 2001, Vol 12(7), 554–555; The general drug scene in Ghana, *The Ghana Pharmaceutical Journal* May-August 1994, Vol. 16 No. 2; Drug use, misuse and abuse: *The Pharmaceutical Spectrum*, 1994; Problem Drugs: *Ghana Pharmaceutical Journal*, 1993; Drug Evaluation, Information and Quality Control, *Ghana Pharmaceutical Journal*, 1992.

### **Honours**

Pharmaceutical Personality of the year, *Globe Pharma Awards* (2018); Fellowship, Ghana College of Pharmacists, Accra (2014); Fellowship, West African Post-graduate College of Pharmacists (2002); Best student in professional qualifying examinations, West African Post-graduate College of Pharmacists (1988).

### **Selected meetings attended**

Several Consultations Meetings with African Union Member States' National Medicines Regulatory Authorities on the Institutional and Legal Framework and Business Plan for the establishment of the African Medicines Agency (2014–2017); International Conference of Drug Regulatory Authorities, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (2014); Seoul (2006), Madrid (2004), Hong Kong (2002), Berlin (1999); ECOWAS NMRAs meeting “Strategies to Combat Counterfeiting Illicit Drugs in West Africa”, Dakar, Senegal, June 2010; Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Meeting on Control of Illicit Drugs in West Africa, London, February 2008; International Seminar of Drug Law Enforcement Agencies in Countries Bordering the Mediterranean, Rome, Italy, 21–23 November, 2007; Annual Meetings of International Regulatory Consultation on Herbal Medicine (IRCH), Kuala Lumpur (2007), Beijing (2006); African Medicines Regulators Conference Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (2005); Management Sciences for Health (MSH) Conference in Daresalaam (2004); WHO expert committee workshop in Traditional Medicines guidelines (GMP & Pharmacovigilance) in Vancouver (2004); ICH Conference in Osaka, Japan (2003); 19th IFPMA Assembly, Cape Town (South Africa) (1998); Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies in Africa Meeting, Abuja (1999).

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**Dorothy Lilian Koshuma Buchanagandi (United Republic of Tanzania)****Education**

Master's Degree in Security and Strategic Studies, National Defence College, Tanzania, 2014; Master's Degree in Public Administration and Human Resources Management, Mzumbe University, Morogoro (Tanzania), 2003.

**Present post**

Retiree Public Servant.

**Previous posts**

Assistant Commissioner Drug Control and Enforcement Authority, Tanzania (2017–2020); Assistant Director, HR President's Office, Tanzania (2014–2017).

**Honours**

Tanzania National Defense College "Symbol" at Dar es Salaam, 2014; Presidential Medal for Long Service and Good Conduct in the Tanzanian Government, Dar es Salaam, 2007.

**Meetings attended**

Joint Meeting of East African Cooperation Heads of Anti-Narcotics and Anti-Human Trafficking and Smuggling, Nairobi 2019; Tripartite Meeting between Tanzania, Mozambique and South Africa on Shared Experiences and Addressing Counter Drug Problem, 2018; Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies (HONLEA), Dar es Salaam, 2018; East African Cooperation (EAC) Peace and Security Policy Meeting Arusha, Tanzania, 2018; Enhancing Africa's Response to Transnational Organized Crime (ENACT) Nairobi, 2017.

## **Francis Rafael Contreras Rivera (Honduras)**

### **Education**

Doctor of Medicine and General Surgery, National Autonomous University of Honduras, with a postgraduate degree in public health.

### **Present post**

Presiding Commissioner, Sanitary Regulations Agency of Honduras (since 2017).

### **Previous posts**

Executive Secretary, National Council for Sustainable Development of Honduras (2010–2018); Deputy Minister of Health of Honduras (2014–2017); Chair of the Board of Directors, National Water Supply and Sewerage System of Honduras (2014–2017); National Coordinator of the Strategy to Address the Zika Virus Emergency in Honduras (2016–2017); Chair, Committee for Sustainable Development of the Organization of American States (2014–2016); Chair, Board of Directors, National Child Welfare Agency of Honduras (2014–2017); Chair of the Board of Directors, Honduran Institute against Addiction and Drug Dependency (2014–2017); President, National Water and Sanitation Council of Honduras (2014–2017); President, National Occupational Health Council of Honduras (2014–2017); First Chair and Founder of the Board of Directors, National Diabetes Institute of Honduras (2014–2017); National Coordinator of the Strategy to Address the Dengue Emergency in Honduras (2014); National Coordinator of the Strategy to Address the Chikungunya Emergency in Honduras (2014–2015); Chair of the Support Committee, Western Regional Hospital, Santa Rosa de Copán, Honduras (2007–2010); Physician, Emergency Department, Western Regional Hospital, Santa Rosa de Copán, Honduras (2007–2010); President, Santa Rosa de Copán branch of the Medical Association of Honduras (2006–2010); Physician, Emergency Department, Juan Manuel Gálvez Hospital, Lempira, Honduras (2003–2005); Consultant, United Nations Development Programme (2003–2005); Consultant, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (1993–1997).

### **Publications**

Programmatic implementation of human papillomavirus (HPV) testing in Central America, HPVWorld (2017).

### **Honours**

Award granted by the National Child Welfare Agency of Honduras for invaluable service as Chair of the Board of Directors in contributing to improved decision-making; Award granted by the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Environment of Honduras for support in relation to the management of natural resources and biodiversity; Award granted by the Latin Association of Renal Patients of Honduras for support in improving the quality of life of patients with renal failure.

### **Selected meetings attended**

High-level policy meetings at the sectoral level to address public health issues; Management meetings with organizations including the Inter-American Development Bank, the World Bank, USAID, the Pan American Health Organization and the World Health Organization.

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## **Mohammad Humayon Faizzad (Afghanistan)**

### **Education**

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

### **Present post**

Director, Coordination for Counter Narcotic Efforts, Ministry of Interior.

### **Previous posts**

Director for Monitoring and Evaluation, Ministry of Counter Narcotics (2016–2018); assigned as Head, Security Commission, Ministry of Counter Narcotics, concurrent to Directorate of Provincial Affairs (2015–2016); assigned as Acting Chief of Staff, Office of the Minister, concurrent to Directorate of Provincial Affairs (2013–2015); Director General, Provincial Affairs, Ministry of Counter Narcotics (2010–2016); Director, Counter Narcotics Advisory Teams (formerly Poppy Elimination Program), Ministry of Counter Narcotics, concurrent to Chief of Staff to the Office of the Minister (2009–2010); appointed as Chief of Staff, Office of the Minister of Counter Narcotics (2007–2009); Head, Afghan Poppy Eradication Coordination Cell, Ministry of Counter Narcotics (June 2006–August 2007); Head, Regional and International Cooperation Unit, Ministry of Counter Narcotics (2006); Principal Private Secretary, Minister of Counter Narcotics (2005–2006); Head, Public Information Section Counter Narcotics Directorate, National Security Council of Transitional Government of Afghanistan (2002–2004).

### **Meetings attended**

Bilateral meetings with partner States such as Austria, Belgium, Sweden, Switzerland, Russian Federation, UK and USA, as well as conferences, workshops and seminars (2004–2020, list available upon request).

## **Chrysanthos Georgiou (Cyprus)**

### **Education**

University of Athens – Ph.D Thesis, Medical University of Sofia, Medical Diploma; University of Athens (Certificate in General Surgery); University of Southern California (Certificate from Division of Trauma and SICU)

### **Present post**

General Surgeon, Director of Trauma Registry, Nicosia General Hospital; As. Director, Department of Surgery; Hon. As. Professor of Surgery

### **Previous posts**

Chairman of the Cyprus National Addictions Authority (2010–2020); Cyprus National Drug Coordinator (2010–2020).

### **Selected publications**

Georgiou Ch., Cyprus Anti-Drugs Council, New psychoactive substances (NPS): Building knowledge and evidence-based training through research (2016); Berg, R.J., Inaba, K., Recinos, G., Barmparas, G., Teixeira, P.G, Georgiou, C., Shatz, D., Rhee, P., Demetriades, D., Prospective Evaluation of Early Follow-up Chest Radiography after Penetrating Thoracic Injury. *World J Surg* (2013) PMID:3536101; Inaba, K., Lustenberger, T., Recinos, G., Georgiou, C., Velmahos, G.C., Brown, C., Salim, A., Demetriades, D., Rhee, P., Does size matter? A prospective analysis of 28-32 versus 36-40 French chest tube size in trauma, *J Trauma Acute Care Surg.* 72(2) (2012), 422–7; Barmparas, G., Inaba, K., Georgiou, C., Hadjizacharia, P., Chan, L.S., Demetriades, D., Friese, R., Rhee, P., Swan-Ganz Catheter Use in Trauma Patients Can Be Reduced Without Negatively Affecting Outcomes. *World J Surg.* (2011), PMID: 2160405; Teixeira, P.G., Georgiou, C., Inaba, K., Dubose, J., Plurad, D., Chan, L.S., Toms, C., Noguchi, T.T., Demetriades, D., Blunt cardiac trauma: lessons learned from the medical examiner, *Trauma.* 67(6) (20019), 1259–64; Georgiou, C., Efstathiades, Y., Demetriou, N., Theophanous, M., Voros, D., An unusual case of *Toxocara Canis* of the ascending colon. *European Journal of Gastroenterology and hepatology* 19 (2007), 1149–1153.

### **Honours**

11th Annual Pancyprian Surgical Congresses (2008): 1st Prize for polypodiasis of gallbladder – indication for surgery. 7th Annual Pancyprian Surgical Congresses (2000): 1st Prize for interesting case of *toxocara canis* of right colon;

### **Selected meetings attended**

63rd regular session of Commission on Narcotic Drugs, Vienna (March 2020); Horizontal Drug Group and EU Drug National Coordinators Meetings, Brussels; EMCDDA Management Board Meeting (June 2020); 6th Postgraduate Laparoscopic Seminar on Solid Organs Surgery, Greece (October 2019); 16th Panhellenic Congress of Trauma and Emergency surgery “trauma-infection-sepsis”, Thessaloniki, Greece (October 2019); 19th European Congress of Trauma and Emergency Surgery, Romania (May 2017); Pisa; ATLS Europe Conference: ATLS and Trauma in Cyprus, Durban, South Africa (May 2014); Workshop of EMCDDA under Cypriot Presidency of the EU (October 2012); Instructor Advanced Trauma Life Support Course, Greece (May 2008).

## **Gilberto Gerra (Italy)**

### **Education**

Medical Doctor Degree, University of Parma (1981); Specialization in Internal Medicine (1986); Specialization in Endocrinology (1989).

### **Present post**

Prevention, Innovation and Research Unit, Department of Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders, Parma, Italy (since 2020).

### **Previous posts**

Chief of Drug Prevention and Health Branch, Division for Operations, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Vienna (2007–2020); Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) (2004–2007); Director of the National Observatory on Drugs at the Prime Minister Office (National Department on Drug Policy, DPA), Rome, Italy (2004–2007); Director of the Addiction Research Centre, University of Parma, Italy (1995–2003); Director of the Addiction Treatment Centre, Parma, Italy (1995–2003); Practitioner in the Addiction Treatment Centre, Parma, Italy (1982–1995).

### **Selected publications**

Tardelli, V. S., Bisaga, A., Arcadepani, F. B., Gerra, G., Levin, F. R., & Fidalgo, T. M., Prescription psychostimulants for the treatment of stimulant use disorder: a systematic review and meta-analysis. *Psychopharmacology*, 237(8) (2020), 2233–2255; Gerra, et al., Socioeconomic Status, Parental Education, School Connectedness and Individual Socio-Cultural Resources in Vulnerability for Drug Use among Students. *International journal of environmental research and public health*, 17(4) (2020), 1306; Gerra, G., et al., Dysregulated responses to emotions among abstinent heroin users: correlation with childhood neglect and addiction severity. *Progress in neuro-psychopharmacology & biological psychiatry*, 48 (2014), 220–228; Gerra, G, et al., Relevance of perceived childhood neglect, 5-HTT gene variants and hypothalamus-pituitary-adrenal axis dysregulation to substance abuse susceptibility. *American journal of medical genetics. Part B, Neuropsychiatric genetics: the official publication of the International Society of Psychiatric Genetics*, 153B (3) (2010), 715–722; Volkow, N. D., Icaza, M., Poznyak, V., Saxena, S., Gerra, G., & UNODC-WHO Informal Scientific Network, Addressing the opioid crisis globally. *World psychiatry*, 18(2) (2019), 231–232; Volkow, N. D., Poznyak, V., Saxena, S., Gerra, G., & UNODC-WHO Informal International Scientific Network, Drug use disorders: impact of a public health rather than a criminal justice approach. *World psychiatry*, 16(2) (2017), 213–214.

### **Honours**

American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (AATOD) Award (2019); Chimera award, European Opiate Addiction Treatment Association (2006).

### **Meetings attended**

International Society of Substance Use Professionals Conference (ISSUP), Bangkok (2015), Cancún (2017), Nairobi (2018), Vienna (2019); 30th General Assembly on the World Drug Problem, New York (2016); CPDD 76th Annual Scientific Meeting Program, Porto Rico (2014).

## **Ana da Conceição dos Passos Mamede Graça (Angola)**

### **Education**

Executive Postgraduate Course, Israel (2012), focus: Israel's model of fighting drugs, Ethics and Drugs, Community Workgroups and Human Relations; Masters of Science in Sociology, University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom (1997–1998), relevant courses: Developmental Psychology, Rural Women, Public Policy.

### **Present posts**

Managing Director, National Institute of the Fight against Drug Abuse, Luanda (since 2012). Psychology Lecturer, Universidade de Agostinho Neto, Luanda (since 2012). Key responsibilities: Lecturing nursing school students on psychology (since 2012); Director, Inter-ministerial Department for the Fight against Drug Abuse, Luanda (since 2012).

### **Previous posts**

Advisor to the Minister of Family and Women's Promotion (2006–2008).

### **Selected publications**

Demand reduction, Volume 2, Instituto Nacional de Luta Anti-Drogas (2018); The social consequences of new psychoactive substances, Volume 1, Instituto Nacional de Luta Anti-Drogas (2017); Insight on fighting drugs in Angola, Volume 1, Instituto Nacional de Luta Anti-Drogas (2016).

### **Honours**

Pioneer program in Angola-drug chain relationship and other institutions, nomination for the World Health Organization's award "World No Tobacco Day" (2019); Steering Committee Award (2012).

### **Selected meetings attended**

Commission on Narcotic Drugs, regular and intersessional meetings, Vienna (2011–to date, repeatedly as African Group panelist); Meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies (HONLEA) Africa (2013–to date); Conference on Drugs and Addictions as an Obstacle to Human Development, Synod Hall, Vatican City (2018).

## **Piotr Stefan Jablonski (Poland)**

### **Education**

PhD, Poznan University of Medical Sciences, Poland; Postgraduate studies: health systems management, Faculty of Economics, University of Warsaw, Poland; M.A., Faculty of Education, University of Warsaw, Poland; Certificate: specialist in addiction psychotherapy, Ministry of Health, Poland.

### **Present post**

Secretary, Inter-ministerial Council for Counteracting Drug Addiction (since 2005); Polish National Drug Coordinator (since 1999); Director, National Bureau for Drug Prevention, Ministry of Health, Poland (since 1999).

### **Previous posts**

Executive Director, Mazovian Centre for Rehabilitation and Neuropsychiatry for Children and Adolescents, Poland (1998–2003); Deputy Director (administration, management, drug treatment coordinator), Mazovian Centre for Rehabilitation and Neuropsychiatry for Children and Adolescents, Poland (1994–1998); Head, Drug Treatment Unit, Mazovian Centre for Rehabilitation and Neuropsychiatry for Children and Adolescents, Poland (1987–1994).

### **Selected publications**

B. Bukowska, P. Jabłoński, J. Sierosławski, Guidelines for community-based drug prevention in Central Asia, Krajowe Biuro do Spraw Przeciwdziałania Narkomanii, Warszawa 2013; P. Jabłoński, M. Jędrzejko, Narkotyki i para narkotyki (Drugs and new design-drugs), Fundacja Pedagogium, Warszawa 2010; P. Jabłoński, B. Bukowska, J. Sierosławski, J. Koczurowska, Treatment system overview (chapter Poland), Council of Europe Publishing, Strasbourg 2010; P. Jabłoński, B. Bukowska, A. Malczewski, Poland. New developments, trends and in-depth information on selected issues (National Report to the EMCDDA), Krajowe Biuro do Spraw Przeciwdziałania Narkomanii, Warszawa 2009; P. Jabłoński, Young people and drugs. Care and treatment (chapters: Epidemiological basis, Treatment and treatment planning, Summary), Council of Europe 2006/2007.

### **Honours**

Medal for fighting against drugs, Republic of Kirgizstan (2013); Medal “Pro Merito”, Council of Europe (2010); Gold Cross of Merit, Poland (2008).

### **Meetings attended**

Member/head of Polish Delegation to the Commission on Narcotics Drugs (2000–onwards); Member of the Management Board of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction in Lisbon (2004–onwards); Polish expert to the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs, European Union (2004–onwards); Component Leader within the EU Central Asia Drug Action Program (2010–2013); Chairperson of the Permanent Correspondents of the Pompidou Group/Council of Europe (2007–2010); Short-Term Expert in the EU programs in Croatia, Romania, Turkey, Serbia (2007–2011).

## **David T. Johnson (United States of America)**

### **Education**

Bachelor's degree in economics, Emory University, Atlanta, GA (1976); National Defense College, Kingston, Ontario, Canada (1990).

### **Present posts**

Independent consultant, speaker and teacher.

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (since 2012).

### **Previous posts**

Consultant, Senior Advisor at Avascent International and CSIS (2011–2020); Vice President, Janus Global Operations (2014–2018);

U.S. State Department Foreign Service Officer (1977–2011): Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (2007–2011); Chargé d'Affaires and Deputy Chief of Mission, United States Embassy, London (2003–2007); Afghan Coordinator for the United States (2002–2003); United States Ambassador to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (1998–2001); Special Assistant to President Clinton, Deputy Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs at the White House, Spokesman for the National Security Council (1995–1997); Deputy Spokesman at the State Department and Director of the State Department Press Office Director (1993–1995); United States Consul General, Vancouver (1990–1993); Deputy Director of the State Department's Operations Center (1987–1989); Desk Officer for Berlin, Austria, and Switzerland; economic officer at the U.S. Embassy in Berlin; Vice Consul at the U.S. Consulate General in Ciudad Juarez.

Assistant National Trust Examiner with the US. Treasury Department's Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (1976–1977).

## **Galina Korchagina (Russian Federation)**

### **Education**

Leningrad Paediatric Medical Institute, Russian Federation (1976); Doctor of Medicine (2001).

### **Present post**

Professor, Deputy Director, National Centre for Research on Drug Addiction (since 2010).

### **Previous posts**

Member of the International Narcotics Control Board (2010–2015 and 2017–2021). First Vice-President, International Narcotics Control Board (2013); Member (2018) and Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on Estimates, International Narcotics Control Board (2011–2012, 2017 and 2019); Professor, Department for Conflict Studies, Faculty of Philosophy, St. Petersburg State University (2004–2008); Chief Professor and Head of the Department for Medical Research and Healthy Lifestyles, Herzen State Pedagogical University of Russia (2000–2008); Assistant Lecturer (1994–2000), Associate Professor (2001–2002) and Professor (2002–2008), Department for Research on Drug Addiction, St. Petersburg Medical Academy of Postgraduate Studies; Assistant Lecturer (1991–1996) and Professor (2000–2001), Department of Social Technologies, State Institute for Services and Economics; Head Doctor, City Drug Clinic, St. Petersburg (1989–1994); Lecturer, Leningrad Regional Medical Academy (1981–1989); Head of the Organizational and Policy Division, Leningrad Regional Drug Clinic (1981–1989); Paediatrician at the Central District Hospital of Gatchina, Leningrad region, and doctor at a boarding school (1976–1979).

Expert on the epidemiology of drug addiction, Pompidou Group of the Council of Europe (1994–2003); participation in the WHO cocaine project (1993–1994) as leading researcher; WHO Healthy Cities project (1992–1998) as leading coordinator in St. Petersburg; WHO alcohol action plan, realization on the basis of the city treatment centre, St. Petersburg (1992–1998). Co-trainer, WHO programmes “Helping people change” (since 1992) and “Skills for change” (since 1995); and temporary adviser, WHO (1992–2008).

### **Memberships**

Association of Psychiatrists and Drug Addiction Specialists of the Russian Federation and St. Petersburg; Kettil Bruun Society for Social and Epidemiological Research on Alcohol; International Council on Alcohol and Addictions; International Society of Addiction Medicine; Head of the sociology of science aspects of medical and biological research section of the Research Council on the Sociology of Science and the Organization of Scientific Research, St. Petersburg Scientific Centre of the Russian Academy of Sciences (2002–2008).

### **Publications**

More than 100 publications, including over 70 works published in the Russian Federation, chapters in monographs and several practical guides, inter alia, on historical and contemporary aspects of international drugs control, international expert cooperation in the area of drug use prevention, and youth drug use risk factors research.

**Honours**

Letter of Gratitude from the United Nations Secretary General (2015); Certificate of Honour of the Russian Ministry of Education and Science (2007); Medal of Honorary Citizen of St. Petersburg, commemorating the 300th City Anniversary (2004); Award for excellence in health protection from the Ministry of Health of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (1987).

**Meetings attended**

Keynote speaker at over 40 national and international conferences, symposiums, seminars, and workshops. Since 2010, co-organizer and keynote speaker at public events for the presentation of the INCB Annual Report.

Participant in meetings of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (2002–2008). Consultant, Global Business Coalition on HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (since 2006).

## **Lu Lin (China)**

### **Education**

M.D. and Ph.D. in Psychiatry, West China University of Medical Sciences, China (1994–1999).

### **Present posts**

Professor/Director, National Institute on Drug Dependence, Peking University; Professor/Director, Peking University Sixth Hospital/Institute of Mental Health; Professor/Director, National Clinical Research Center for Mental Disorder, China; Chairman, Expert Committee on Drug Abuse Prevention and Control, National Narcotics Control Committee; Chairman, Expert Committee on Psychiatry and Mental Health of National Health Commission, China; Vice President, International Chinese Psychiatric Association; Vice President, Asia Research Association on Drug Abuse; Committee Member, WHO Expert Committee on Drug Dependence; Associate Editor, Drug and Alcohol Dependence; Associate Editor, The American Journal on Addictions.

### **Previous posts**

Research Scientist, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, USA (2003–2006); Postdoctoral Fellow, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, USA (2001–2003).

### **Selected publications**

2019-nCoV epidemic: address mental health care to empower society, *Lancet* (2020), 395(10224), e37–e38; Control of fentanyl-related substances in China. *Lancet Psychiatry* (2019), 6(7), e15; Effect of Selective Inhibition of reactivated nicotine-associated memories with propranolol on nicotine craving, *JAMA Psychiatry* (2017), 74(3), 224–232; Selective Inhibition of Amygdala Neuronal ensembles encoding nicotine-associated memories inhibits nicotine preference and relapse, *Biol Psychiatry* 2017, 82(11), 781–793; A novel UCS memory retrieval-extinction procedure to inhibit relapse to drug seeking, *Nat Commun.* (2015), 6, 7675; A memory retrieval-extinction procedure to prevent drug craving and relapse, *Science* (2012), 336(6078), 241–245.

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### **Honours**

National Innovation Award (2020); Academician of Chinese Academy of Science Members (2017); Chinese Medical Science and Technology Award (2015 and 2008); Natural Science Award of the Ministry of Education (2013 and 2008); National Natural Science Award (2002).

### **Selected meetings attended**

WHO Global Research Roadmap on COVID-19: Social Science; Gordon Research Conferences – Neurobiology of Drug Addiction; Annual Meetings of the Society for Neuroscience; 30th CINP World Congress; 2016 Annual American Psychiatric Association Meeting; APEC Workshop to Promote Innovative Collaborations in Mental Health.

## **Alexandre Lourenço Jaime Manguela (Mozambique)**

### **Education**

PhD Candidate in International Health (Health Policy and Development), Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Portugal; Master's Degree in Public Health, Leeds University, England; Graduate of Medical School, Faculty of Medicine, Eduardo Mondlane University, Mozambique; Certificate in International Epidemiology of Tuberculosis Control, Kyosi-JATA, Japan; Certificate in International Health, College of Health Sciences-George State University, United States of America; Certificate in Training and planning in control of malaria – World Health Organization, Nazareth, Ethiopia; Advanced seminary on strengthening drugs regulatory authorities, Madrid; Management and Leadership Program, Course organized by Ministry of Health (Mozambique) and MSH, United States of America.

### **Present post**

Director-General, Higher Institute of Health Sciences (since 2015).

### **Previous posts**

Minister of Health (2010–2015); Inspector General of Health (2007–2009); Advisor to the Minister of Health (2005–2006); National Director of Health (1995–2005); Provincial Director of Health (1993–1995); Director of Provincial Hospital (1986–1992); Chief provincial doctor (1990–1992).

### **Meetings attended and presentations**

Head of Mozambican delegation, negotiations for multilateral cooperation on health issues between Mozambique, Malawi, Zambia, Tanzania and Zimbabwe (2006); Member of WHO's Programme Committee, WHO-Afro, Regional Committee Meeting of WHO, Maputo (2005); Member of WHO's Programme Committee, WHO-Afro, "Neglected diseases" – a presentation to the European Parliament (2004); Head of Mozambican delegation, International Conference on Leprosy, Brasília (2003); Intergovernmental Negotiations for tobacco control and fight against smoking (2000–2004); Member of Mozambican delegation, World Health Assembly, Geneva, Switzerland (1995–1999); Planning of Health Care, Boston, USA (1993); National Programme of Primary Health Care of Nigeria, Abuja (1989).

## **Richard Muscat (Malta)**

### **Education**

Ph.D. Psychopharmacology, London Guildhall University (1983–1987);  
M.Sc. Neurophysiology, London Guildhall University (1981–1983);  
B.Sc. (Hons.) Pharmacology, Liverpool University (1979–1981).

### **Present posts**

Head, Department of Physiology and Biochemistry, Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, University of Malta (since 2016); Director, Centre of Molecular Medicine (since 2015); Professor, University of Malta (since 2013).

Chair, International Drug Policy Academy, Pompidou Group, Council of Europe;  
Member, Management Board of the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA) (since 1995); Chairman, National Addiction Advisory Body, based in the Ministry for Social Policy (2015–2021).

### **Previous posts**

Pro-Rector, Research and Innovation, University of Malta (2006–2016);  
Assoc. Professor, University of Malta (1998–2013); Senior Lecturer, University of Malta (1992–1998); Medical Research Council Postdoctoral fellow (1988–1991);  
Research Fellow (1985–1988); Graduate research assistant and Ph.D. student (1983–1985);

Chair of the Horizontal Drugs Policy Group at the Council of Europe during Malta's Presidency of the European Union (2017); representative of Malta in the EU Horizontal Drug Group (since 2010); Chairman, Research Group, Council of Europe, 2002–2004; Vice-Presidency of the Pompidou Group, Council of Europe (2010–2014); Chair of the MEDSPAD (2010–14).

### **Selected publications**

Nowell Zammit and Richard Muscat, Beta band oscillatory deficits during working memory encoding in adolescents with attention deficit hyperactive disorder. *European Journal of Neuroscience*, 00 (2019), pgs 1–16; Nowell Zammit, Owen Flazon, Kenneth P. Camilleri & Richard Muscat, Working memory alpha-beta oscillatory signatures in adolescents and young adults. *European Journal of Neuroscience*, Vol 48 (2018), Issue 7, pgs 2527–2536; Andrei Agius Anastasi, Owen Falzon, Kenneth P. Camilleri, Malcolm Vella and Richard Muscat, Brain symmetry index in health and stroke patients for assessment and prognosis, *Journal of Stroke Research and Treatment* (2017), pp 1–9; Casarrubea, M., Davies, C., Faulisi, F., Pierruci, M., Colangeli, R., Patridge, L., Chambers, S., Cassar, D., Valentino, M., Muscat, R., Benigno, A., Crescimanno, G. and Di Giovanni, G., Acute nicotine induces anxiety and disrupts temporal pattern organization of rat exploratory behaviour in hole-board: a potential role for the lateral habenula, *Frontiers Cellular Neuroscience* 9 (2015), 197; Muscat, R. and Pike, B., Coherence policy markers for psychoactive substances. Council of Europe (2014); Agius, A.M., Jones, N.S. and Muscat, R., A randomised controlled trial comparing the efficacy of low-dose amitriptyline, amitriptyline with pindolol and placebo in the treatment of chronic tension type facial pain. *Rhinology*, 51 (2013), 143–153; Muscat, R. and Pike, B., Some reflections on the concept of coherency in relation to a policy on psychoactive substances and beyond. Council of Europe (2012); Pierruci, M., Galalti, S., Valentino, M., Di Matteo, V., Benigno, A., Pitruzella, A., Muscat, R. and Di Giovanni, G., Nitric oxide modulation of basal

ganglia circuitry: Therapeutic implications for Parkinson's disease and other motor disorders, CNS & Neurological Disorders – Drug Targets (2011), 10.

**Selected memberships**

Founding Member, European Science Association 1998; Founding Member, Malta Chamber of Scientists 1993;

**Meetings attended**

United Nations, including those of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the 2016 UNGASS, negotiations on various resolutions and participation in numerous side events, including as panellist, particularly on the issues of coercive sanctioning and human rights.

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## **Nirinomenjanahary Larissa Razanadimby (Madagascar)**

### **Education**

Pharmacist, Faculty of Medicine, University of Antananarivo (State diploma), Madagascar.

### **Present post**

Head, Division for the importation of products under international control and customs clearance of donated health products, Health Products Management Service, Direction of Pharmacy, Laboratories and Traditional Medicine, Ministry of Public Health; Member of the Council of the National Pharmaceutical Association of Madagascar; Lecturer for “Pharmacology and therapeutics”, Nursing science, Inter-Regional Paramedical Training Institute; Member of the Board of Directors of the Massive Dissolution Supply Unit in Madagascar; Permanent Secretary of the Technical Unit in Logistics Management of the Ministry of Public Health; Member of the Commission for the opening and closing of drug depots for human use of the Ministry of Public Health; Member of the Logistics Commission of the Ministry of Public Health.

### **Previous posts**

Pharmacist during Clinical Trials at the Covid 19 Medical Center, Village Voara Andohatpenaka, Madagascar (2020); Responsible for the storage warehouse for medical products of the Direction of Pharmacy, Laboratories and Traditional Medicine, Ministry of Public Health (2014–2015); Consultant pharmacist at BioAroma, cosmetics laboratory, Antananarivo, Madagascar (2014); Replacement pharmacist at the Ankadifotsy Pharmacy, Antananarivo, Madagascar (2013).

### **Publications**

Scientific communication displayed at the Biomad III conference in Mahajanga, Madagascar, theme “Health and Biodiversity”.

### **Meetings attended**

Sub-regional workshop for strengthening national skills and improving selection procedures for essential drugs including those for mother and child, by Experts of the World Health Organization, Cotonou, Benin; Supply chain management, by Pamela Steele Associates, Nairobi; Seminar on pharmaceutical investment and cooperation, by the Chinese government, Beijing and Shanghai, China; Validation meeting of the National List of Essential Medicines and Health Inputs (LNMEIS), 6th edition, Antananarenina, Madagascar.

## **Svitlana Rumiantseva (Ukraine)**

### **Education**

Public health school, international courses on, inter alia, monitoring and assessment issues of drug situation, standards of drug use related harm reduction and drug markets (2012–2018); DEA USA courses on counteracting drug crime in Turkey and Egypt (1999–2001); Kyiv National Economy Institute named after D.Korotchenko (1979–1984).

### **Present post**

Analyst, Center for Mental Health and Monitoring Drug and Alcohol, Ministry of Health, Ukraine (since 2020)

### **Previous posts**

Founder of the charitable organization “The Welfare of Generations”, for the promotion of a healthy lifestyle (2019–2020); Deputy Director, Kyiv City Public Health Center (2018–2019); Deputy Director, Center for Mental Health and Monitoring Drug and Alcohol, Ministry of Health of Ukraine (2017–2018); Director, Ukrainian Monitoring and Medical Center for Drug and Alcohol, Ministry of Health of Ukraine (2015–2017); Head, Medical and Monitoring Center on Drugs and Alcohol, Ukrainian Research Institute of Social and Forensic Psychiatry and Addiction, Ministry of Health of Ukraine (2014–2015); Deputy Director, Ukrainian Medical and Monitoring Center on Drugs and Alcohol, Ministry of Health of Ukraine (2013–2014); Head, Unit for Normative, Methodological and Informational Support of a Healthy Lifestyle Formation, Ukrainian Institute for Strategic Studies, Ministry of Health of Ukraine (2013); Detective, field and managerial officer, Security Service of Ukraine (1986–2011).

### **Publications**

*Inter alia*, “Suggestions for new approaches to calculating Ukraine’s need for medicines containing narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and precursors”.

### **Meetings attended**

Working group meetings on All-Ukrainian Strategy on drugs for 2020–2030, Annual ECMDDA meetings (2015–2018), meetings of the United Nations General Assembly on drug policy (2015–2018).

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**Rogers William Siyanga (United Republic of Tanzania)****Education**

Masters in Political Science and International Relations, Pondicherry Central University, India (1995).

**Present post**

Retiree Public Servant.

**Previous posts**

Commissioner General, Drug Control and Enforcement Authority, Tanzania (2017–2019); Head, Counter Narcotics Department President’s Office (2006–2016).

**Publications**

Involvement of United States of America in Vietnam War (Dissertation), 1995.

**Honours**

National Medal of Exemplary Services; National Medal of Bravery.

**Meetings attended**

Africa Targeting Working Group Meeting, Pretoria, 2017; more than nine meetings of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (2010–2019); more than nine meetings of Heads of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies (HONLEA, 2010–2019); Chair of 28th HONLEA Africa, Tanzania, 2018; Trilateral Planning Cell, 2018, for the South Africa Region; more than three Indian Ocean Forums on Maritime Crime in Colombo; expert Drug Networking Group, Mauritius, Colombo and Sri Lanka, 2018; United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Drugs (UNGASS).

## **Johan L. Strijdom (Namibia)**

### **Education**

PhD in Social Work, (thesis on drug policy and strategy for Namibia), North West University, Mahikeng, South Africa (1990–1993); MA (Social Science) in Mental Health, University of South Africa, (UNISA), Pretoria (1984–1988); BA (Social Work), University of Stellenbosch, South Africa (1977–1980).

### **Present post**

Researcher and consultant (social protection, drug policy and drug demand reduction, family, gerontology, rural economy, agriculture); Extraordinary Professor, Sociology, Optentia Research Focus Area, North West University, Vanderbijlpark Campus, South Africa (since 2018).

### **Previous posts**

UNICEF Liaison Office to the African Union (2019–2020); Head of Division, Social Welfare, Vulnerable Groups, Drug Control and Crime Prevention, Department of Social Affairs (DSA), African Union Commission (2010–2017); Acting Head of Division, Labour, Employment and Migration, DSA, African Union Commission (2010–2017); Consultant, Drug Control and Sport, Department of Social Affairs, African Union Commission (2008–2010); farmer, private enterprise, Mahalapye, Botswana (2007–2008); Senior Policy Officer, Drug Control, Department of Social Affairs, African Union Commission, Addis Ababa (2006–2007); Technical Advisor, Drug Demand Reduction Programme in Suriname (2004–2006); European Commission listed individual expert – drug control, mental health and rural development; Regional Drug Control Officer at the Southern African Development Community Secretariat, Gaborone (2000–2004); Senior Lecturer, Head of Department, University of Namibia: Department of Social Work and Community Development, Windhoek (1988–2000); Chief Social Worker, Superintendent, Protea Place of Safety for Children, Port Elizabeth, South Africa (1985–1988); Senior Social Worker, Magaliesoord Centre, Pretoria (1983–1985); Social Worker, Christelike Maatskaplike Raad (Christian Social Board), Windhoek (1982–1983); Social Worker, Dept. of Health and Social Welfare, Windhoek, Namibia (1981); Consultancies, inter alia, for Directorate Social Services, Ministry of Health and Social Services, Namibia, on social policie. (1990 onwards); UNODC (1999–2000, 2019); UNDP (2018–2019); International Drug Policy Consortium (2017–2019); ILO (1993–1998),

### **Selected publications**

Book review “The Gender Divides in the Mauritian Society: Re-appropriating the Empowerment and Citizen discourse”, University of Mauritius (2019); Chapter on ‘AU Agenda 2063 and Social Protection’, in “Namibian Perspectives on Social Protection 2017–2020” (Windhoek); Developing the Southern African Development Community Epidemiology Network on Drug Use: Methods and Issues. Bulletin on Narcotics, New York, 54 (2).1.,2003; The SADC Epidemiology Network on Drug Use (SENDU) project: Description, Findings (2000–2001) and Policy Implications, African Journal for Drug and Alcohol Studies Vol 2, No 2, 2003;

### **Memberships**

South African Board for Social and Associated Workers; elected member, Namibian Social and Social Auxiliary Workers’ Board (i.t.o. the Health Care Professions Act); Advisory Board member, Southern Africa Social Protection Experts Network

**Selected meetings attended**

Frequent speaker at ministerial and technical conferences on sport, anti-doping, drug trafficking, children, older persons, persons with disabilities, social protection, poverty eradication, inter alia: Shock Responsive Social Protection, Sierra Leone (2020); conference on drug policy for Africa, Berlin (2017); 4 national training workshops in Suriname on the establishment of drug epidemiology networks, primary, secondary and tertiary drug use prevention programmes (2004–2006); Regional Drug Control, Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Corruption Conferences, SADC (organizer and speaker, 2000–2004).

## **Raminta Stuikyte (Lithuania)**

### **Education**

Master degree in applied mathematics, Vilnius University, Lithuania (2001); Post-graduate degree in international business, Vilnius University (2000); Courses: Global Health Diplomacy – Moldova Ministry of Health, World Health Organization and Graduate Institute Geneva, Republic of Moldova (2013); Access to Medicines and Intellectual Property – KwaZulu-Natal University, Republic of South Africa (2012); Constitutional, Civil and Criminal Law – Vilnius University, Lithuania (2001–2003).

### **Present posts**

Senior Advisor, Underserved Population Program (since 2017). Member, Technical Review Panel, The Global Fund to fight HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (2020–2022)

### **Previous posts**

Consultant, Global Health Financing Initiative, Open Society Foundations (2015–2020); Health expert, Alliance of Lithuanian Consumer Organisations (2018–2019); Member, UNAIDS Reference Group on HIV and Human Rights (2010–2019); Senior Advisor, United Nations Secretary-General’s Special Envoy on HIV/AIDS in Eastern Europe and Central Asia (2013–2017); Founding Member and Chair, Lithuania NGO Coalition on underserved populations and drug policy ‘I Can Live’ (2012–2016); Chair, The Civil Society Forum on Drugs of the European Union (2013–2015); Regional Consultant on Increasing Access to Medicines, Open Society Foundations (2009–2014); First Executive Director, Eurasian Harm Reduction Network (2001–2009); a number of engagements to provide technical support, strategic advice, evaluation services and capacity building to a range of organizations, notably civil society networks, private donors, intergovernmental organizations such as the World Health Organization, the United Nations Development Programme and others.

### **Selected publications**

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Using Social Contracting in National HIV Responses: Country cases from Africa, the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, and Latin America (forthcoming); Eurasian Harm Reduction Association, Measuring Sustainability of Opioid Agonist Therapy: framework and methodology (2020); European Consumer Organisation (BEUC) & Alliance of Lithuanian Consumer Organizations, Public Health: How to Bridge the East-West Gap [in the European Union] (2019); Stuikyte R., Barbosa I., Kazatchkine M., Getting to grips with the HIV epidemic in Russia. *Curr Opin HIV AIDS*. (2019); Open Society Foundations, Lost in transition: Three Case Studies of Global Fund Withdrawal in South Eastern Europe (2017); Stuikyte R et al, The Impact of Drug Policy on Health and Human Rights in Eastern Europe: 10 years after United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Drugs, *EHRN* (2009).

## **Gabrielle Katrine Welle-Strand (Norway)**

### **Education**

Approval as a full specialist in Addiction Medicine (2017); PhD, Norwegian Centre for Addiction Research, University of Oslo; Management training (1991–1995); Qualifying education as clinical researcher (1990–2009); Medical Doctor, University of Oslo (1982); IB at the United College of the Atlantic, Wales, UK (1973–1975).

### **Present post**

Researcher, Norwegian Centre for Addiction Research, University of Oslo (since 2018).

### **Previous posts**

Norwegian Directorate of Health, Dep of Psychiatry and Substance Use (2006–2018); Researcher (20–50%), Co-Chair, Norwegian Centre for Addiction Research, University of Oslo, (2007–2018); Co-Chair, WHO's Guideline Development Group on the identification and management of substance use and substance use disorders in pregnancy (2013–2014); Treatment Platform, Pompidou Group/European Council (2006–2010); Member of the Board, ISAM (International Society of Addiction Medicine), (2008–2015); Norwegian Ministry of Health Centre for Medication Assisted Treatment in Oslo (MARIO/LAR ØST) (1998–2006); Norwegian representative, Nordic Workgroup under the Nordic Council writing a report on Injecting Drug Users with HIV/AIDS (1991–95); Detoxification and assessment clinic in Oslo (1987–1998): responsible for the first methadone project in Norway (1991–1997), managing director for the institution (1991–1993); Medical doctor, Outreach street department, Oslo (1987–1991); Infectious disease ward, Ullevål University Hospital and Rikshospitalet (2 major University hospitals in Norway) (1985–1986).

### **Selected publications**

Welle-Strand et al., COVID-19 survey among people who use drugs in three cities in Norway, *Drug and Alcohol Dependence* (2020); Welle-Strand et al., Living a normal life? Follow-up study of women who had been in opioid maintenance treatment during pregnancy, *J of Substance Abuse Treatment* (2020); Welle-Strand et al., Tapering from methadone or buprenorphine during pregnancy. Maternal and neonatal outcomes in Norway 1996–2009, *European Addiction Research* (2015); Welle-Strand et al., A woman's experience of tapering from buprenorphine during pregnancy, *BMJ Case Report* (2014); Welle-Strand et al., Breastfeeding reduces the need for withdrawal treatment in opioid-exposed infants, *Acta Pædiatrica* (2013); Welle-Strand G., Compulsory treatment of drug abusers at Unit for treatment of drug addiction. Proceedings from Europe against drug abuse, Oslo (1997); Welle-Strand G., HIV-antibody testing and risk-prone behaviour amongst IVDU's in Oslo, Norway, in Loimer N, Schmid R, Springer A (edit), *Drug addiction and AIDS*, Berlin (1991), 8–15.

### **Honours**

The European Opiate Addiction Treatment Association's (EUROPAD) Chimera Award (2018); The Norwegian Addiction Federation's Award Excellent Addiction work (2015).

**Selected meetings attended**

ISAM/CSAM Conference (virtual): COVID-19 survey among people who use drugs (PWUD) in Norway (November 2020); Lisbon Addictions: Opioid maintenance treatment (OMT). Not life-long for all women? 10 years follow-up after pregnancy. How many stop OMT and what are the results? (October 2019); Europad Krakow: How do mothers/parents in Opioid Maintenance Treatment (OMT) do 8–12 years after their child was born? (May 2018); UNODC – Training of trainers on Woman drug use treatment for 8 countries in Central Asia, Kyrgyz Republic (September 2017); ISAM Yokohama: Tapering of methadone or buprenorphine medication dose during pregnancy: How many succeed and what are the neonatal outcomes? (October 2014); UNODC event: Ukrainian Society and Drugs in Kiev: Plenary and workshop on treatment of opioid dependent pregnant women (June 2012); ISAM Oslo: Pregnancy and motherhood – use of alcohol and drugs – ethical and political considerations (September 2011); WHO's third meeting in Technical Development Group on making Guidelines for Treatment of Opioid Dependence (representative for the Pampidou group), Geneva (September 2007).

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